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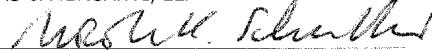
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This is in response to an Office Action dated January 14, 2009 in the above identified case. Attached hereto are Specification Amendments, an SB08A Form, a Search Report from the German Patent Office, Replacement Drawing Sheets, Claim Amendments, and Remarks, each starting on a separate page.